Yukon Bureau of Statistics

Yukon Employment

August 2012

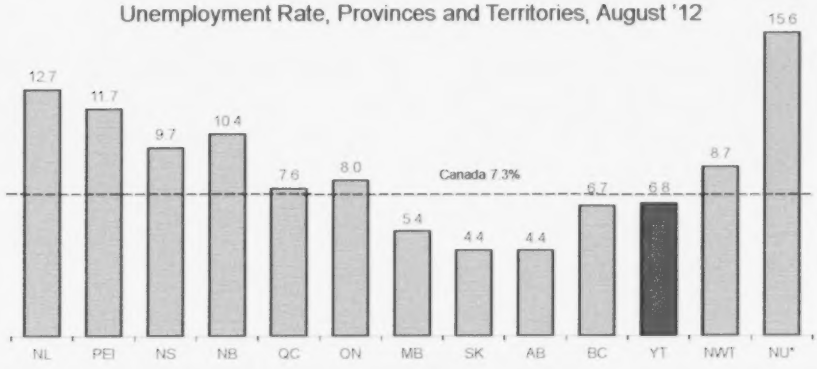
Highlights:

- Yukon's August unemployment rate at 6.8% decreased 0.4 percentage points from July. This is the third consecutive month a decrease in the unemployment rate has been seen.
- The national unemployment rate, 7.3%, remained the same compared to one month earlier.
- Yukon's August labour force remained the same compared to July, while employment figures increased by 200 and unemployment decreased by 100.

August 2012 Yukon Employment at a Glance

Labour force	20,700
Employed	19,400
Unemployed	1,400
Unemployment Rate	6.8%

Unemployment Rate, Provinces and Territories, August '12



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- Yukon's employment in the Goods-producing sector reached an all-time high in August. That sector increased by 400 workers to 3,900 when compared to July, while the Services-producing side increased by 100 to a total of 16,400.
- Full-time employment in both the 15+ and 25+ age categories showed gains in August over July.
- Nationally, employment rose between July and August as a result of an increase in part-time work. Canada's unemployment rate held steady at 7.3%.

Other Sources of Labour Market Information:

Statistics Canada's Daily Release - a summary of the current Labour Force Survey numbers from across Canada. http://www.statcan.gc.ca/daily-quotidien/120907/dq120907a-eng.htm

Yukon Survey of Employment, Payrolls and Hours - detailed annual information on number of paid employees, payrolls, and hours worked. Based on a combination of administrative data from Canada Revenue Agency and results from the Business Payroll Survey. www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/seph_2010.pdf

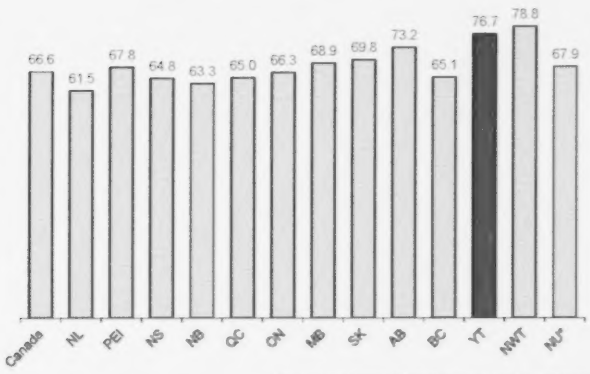
Yukon's 2006 Census Labour Publication - Broad snapshot of Yukon in May, 2006. Includes information on Yukon communities, employee occupation and employer industry. www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/2006_labour.pdf

Yukon 2010 Business Survey - Yukon businesses' vacancies (by occupation and industry) and challenges recruiting staff. http://www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/2010_Business_Survey_Report.pdf

Yukon Employment Annual Review - Annual summary of Yukon Labour Force Survey data; includes Aboriginal/Non-aborignal and Rural/Whitehorse data. www.eco.gov.yk.ca/stats/pdf/employment_2009.pdf

Comparisons with Canada - Snapshot

Participation Rate, August '12



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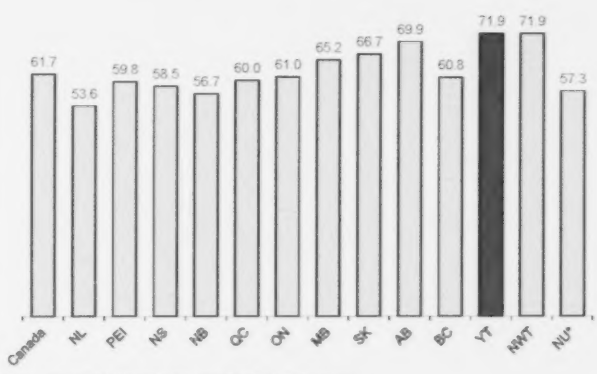

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The participation rate measures the percent of the population which is working or actively looking for work. Yukon's participation rate in August 2012 was 76.7%, second-highest in Canada.

Yukon's August employment rate (which measures the percent of the population which is employed), at 71.9%, is tied with the Northwest Territores for highest in Canada, due to the high participation rates.

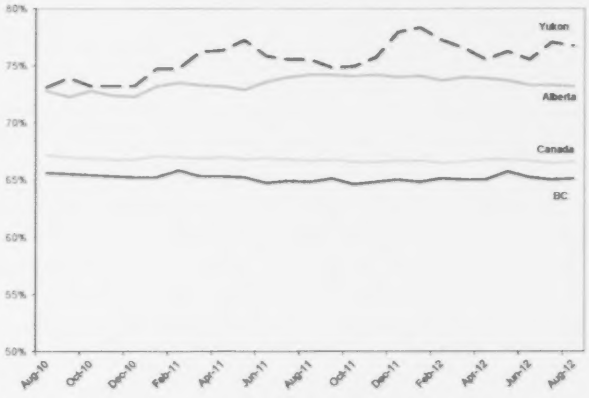
Comparisons with Canada - Historical

The Labour Force Survey estimates that 76.7% of Yukoners age 15 and over were employed or were seeking employment in August, slightly above the August '11 rate of 75.5%.

Yukon's participation rate began to decline in June 2011 as the percentage of Yukoners participating in the labour force declined for several months before rebounding in the fall/winter of 2011/12. The January 2012 rate of 78.3% was the highest it had been since June of 2002.

Yukon's labour market in terms of participation rate and employment rate tends to be similar to Alberta's; however, as is often the case with a small population base, our rates show a higher degree of volatility.

Participation Rate, Aug '10 - Aug '12



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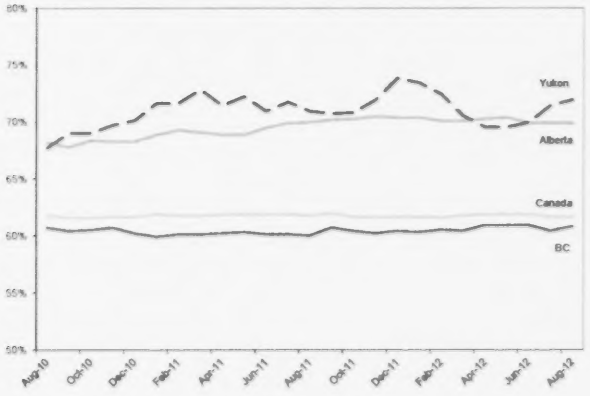

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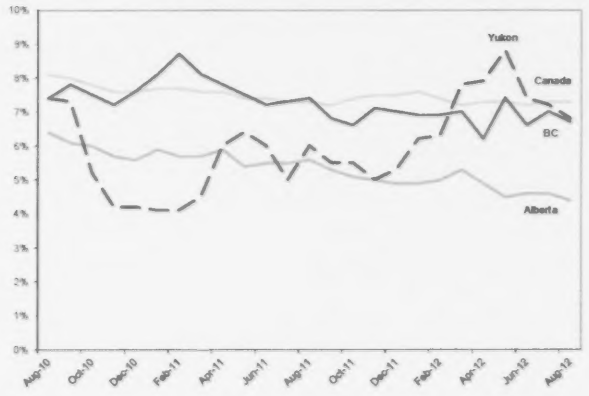
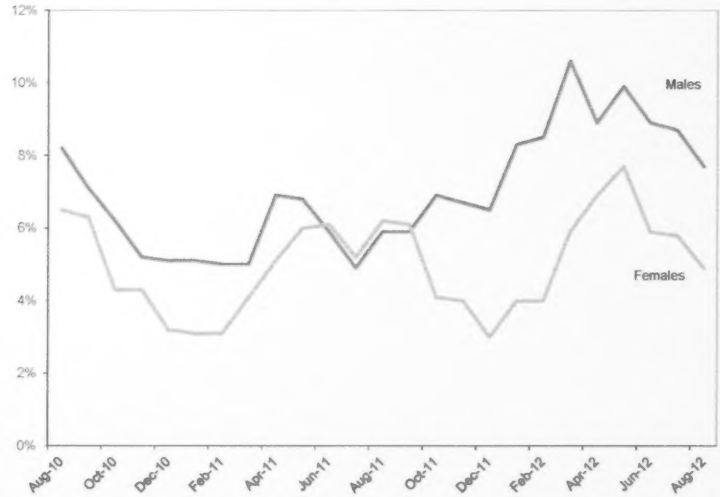


Seasonally Adjusted Labour Force, age 15+

	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females
Aug-12	20,700	10,400	10,300	19,400	9,600	9,800	1,400	800	500
Jul-12	20,700	10,400	10,300	19,200	9,500	9,700	1,500	900	600
Jun-12	20,300	10,100	10,200	18,800	9,200	9,600	1,500	900	600
May-12	20,500	10,100	10,400	18,700	9,100	9,600	1,800	1,000	800
Apr-12	20,300	10,100	10,200	18,700	9,200	9,500	1,600	900	700
Mar-12	20,500	10,400	10,100	18,900	9,300	9,500	1,600	1,100	600
Feb-12	20,700	10,600	10,100	19,400	9,700	9,700	1,300	900	400
Jan-12	20,900	10,800	10,100	19,600	9,900	9,700	1,300	900	400
Dec-11	20,800	10,700	10,100	19,700	10,000	9,800	1,100	700	300
Nov-11	20,200	10,400	9,900	19,200	9,700	9,500	1,000	700	400
Oct-11	20,000	10,200	9,800	18,900	9,500	9,400	1,100	700	400
Sep-11	19,900	10,100	9,800	18,800	9,500	9,200	1,100	600	600
Aug-11	20,000	10,200	9,700	18,800	9,700	9,200	1,200	600	600
Jul-11	20,000	10,200	9,700	19,000	9,700	9,300	1,000	500	500
Jun-11	20,100	10,200	9,900	18,800	9,500	9,300	1,200	600	600
May-11	20,300	10,300	10,000	19,000	9,600	9,400	1,300	700	600
Apr-11	20,000	10,100	9,900	18,700	9,400	9,300	1,200	700	500
Mar-11	19,900	10,100	9,700	19,000	9,600	9,400	900	500	400
Feb-11	19,500	10,000	9,600	18,700	9,400	9,300	800	500	300
Jan-11	19,500	9,900	9,600	18,700	9,400	9,300	800	500	300
Dec-10	19,100	9,800	9,300	18,300	9,300	9,000	800	500	300
Nov-10	19,100	9,700	9,400	18,200	9,200	9,000	800	500	400
Oct-10	19,100	9,700	9,300	18,000	9,100	8,900	1,000	600	400
Sep-10	19,300	9,900	9,500	18,000	9,100	8,800	1,400	700	600
Aug-10	19,000	9,800	9,200	17,600	9,000	8,600	1,400	800	600

	Unemployment rate		
	Both sexes	Males	Females
Aug-12	6.8	7.7	4.9
Jul-12	7.2	8.7	5.8
Jun-12	7.4	8.9	5.9
May-12	8.8	9.9	7.7
Apr-12	7.9	8.9	6.9
Mar-12	7.8	10.6	5.9
Feb-12	6.3	8.5	4.0
Jan-12	6.2	8.3	4.0
Dec-11	5.3	6.5	3.0
Nov-11	5.0	6.7	4.0
Oct-11	5.5	6.9	4.1
Sep-11	5.5	5.9	6.1
Aug-11	6.0	5.9	6.2
Jul-11	5.0	4.9	5.2
Jun-11	6.0	5.9	6.1
May-11	6.4	6.8	6.0
Apr-11	6.0	6.9	5.1
Mar-11	4.5	5.0	4.1
Feb-11	4.1	5.0	3.1
Jan-11	4.1	5.1	3.1
Dec-10	4.2	5.1	3.2
Nov-10	4.2	5.2	4.3
Oct-10	5.2	6.2	4.3
Sep-10	7.3	7.1	6.3
Aug-10	7.4	8.2	6.5

Unemployment Rate, 15+, Males and Females, Aug '10 - Aug '12

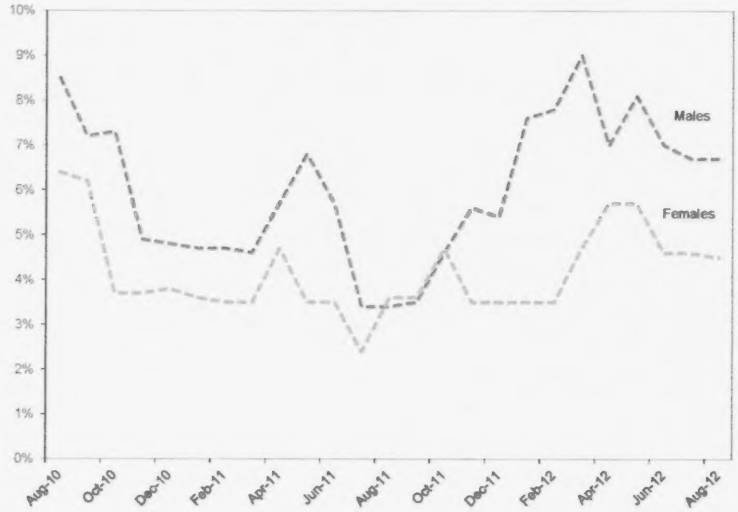


Seasonally Adjusted Labour Force, age 25+

	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females	Both sexes	Males	Females
Aug-12	17,700	8,900	8,800	16,700	8,400	8,400	1,000	600	400
Jul-12	17,600	8,900	8,700	16,600	8,200	8,300	1,000	600	400
Jun-12	17,300	8,600	8,700	16,200	8,000	8,200	1,100	600	400
May-12	17,300	8,600	8,700	16,200	7,900	8,300	1,100	700	500
Apr-12	17,300	8,600	8,700	16,200	8,000	8,200	1,100	600	500
Mar-12	17,500	8,900	8,600	16,300	8,100	8,300	1,100	800	400
Feb-12	17,400	9,000	8,500	16,500	8,300	8,200	1,000	700	300
Jan-12	17,700	9,200	8,500	16,700	8,500	8,200	1,000	700	300
Dec-11	17,800	9,200	8,600	17,100	8,700	8,400	800	500	300
Nov-11	17,600	9,000	8,600	16,800	8,500	8,300	800	500	300
Oct-11	17,200	8,700	8,500	16,400	8,300	8,100	800	400	400
Sep-11	17,000	8,600	8,400	16,300	8,300	8,000	700	300	300
Aug-11	17,000	8,700	8,300	16,400	8,400	8,000	600	300	300
Jul-11	17,000	8,700	8,300	16,500	8,400	8,100	500	300	200
Jun-11	17,200	8,800	8,500	16,400	8,200	8,100	800	500	300
May-11	17,400	8,800	8,500	16,500	8,300	8,200	900	600	300
Apr-11	17,200	8,700	8,500	16,300	8,200	8,100	900	500	400
Mar-11	17,200	8,700	8,500	16,600	8,300	8,300	600	400	300
Feb-11	17,000	8,600	8,500	16,400	8,200	8,200	700	400	300
Jan-11	16,900	8,500	8,400	16,300	8,100	8,100	600	400	300
Dec-10	16,300	8,300	8,000	15,600	7,900	7,700	700	400	300
Nov-10	16,300	8,200	8,100	15,500	7,800	7,800	700	400	300
Oct-10	16,300	8,200	8,100	15,400	7,600	7,800	900	600	300
Sep-10	16,400	8,300	8,100	15,300	7,600	7,600	1,100	600	500
Aug-10	16,100	8,200	7,800	14,900	7,600	7,400	1,100	700	500

	Unemployment rate		
	Both Sexes	Males	Females
Aug-12	5.6	6.7	4.5
Jul-12	5.7	6.7	4.6
Jun-12	6.4	7.0	4.6
May-12	6.4	8.1	5.7
Apr-12	6.4	7.0	5.7
Mar-12	6.3	9.0	4.7
Feb-12	5.7	7.8	3.5
Jan-12	5.6	7.6	3.5
Dec-11	4.5	5.4	3.5
Nov-11	4.5	5.6	3.5
Oct-11	4.7	4.6	4.7
Sep-11	4.1	3.5	3.6
Aug-11	3.5	3.4	3.6
Jul-11	2.9	3.4	2.4
Jun-11	4.7	5.7	3.5
May-11	5.2	6.8	3.5
Apr-11	5.2	5.7	4.7
Mar-11	3.5	4.6	3.5
Feb-11	4.1	4.7	3.5
Jan-11	3.6	4.7	3.6
Dec-10	4.3	4.8	3.8
Nov-10	4.3	4.9	3.7
Oct-10	5.5	7.3	3.7
Sep-10	6.7	7.2	6.2
Aug-10	6.8	8.5	6.4

Unemployment Rate, 25+, Males and Females, Aug '10 - Aug '12



Labour Force, *Unadjusted* and Annual, age 15+

'Seasonally adjusted' refers to the technique of adjusting figures to remove seasonal movements. As such, seasonally adjusted employment figures are widely used and quoted, as they are considered to be a more accurate picture of the current employment situation than unadjusted figures. Some variables, however, are only available on an unadjusted basis. Comparisons between adjusted and unadjusted should not be made. For more information, see definitions on pg 8.

	Labour Force			Employment			Unemployment		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	**Both sexes**	Males	Females	**Both sexes**	Males	Females
Aug-12	**21,400**	10,800	10,600	**20,200**	10,200	10,100	**1,200**	700	500
Jul-12	**21,200**	10,700	10,500	**19,900**	9,900	10,000	**1,400**	800	600
Jun-12	**20,600**	10,300	10,400	**19,000**	9,300	9,700	**1,600**	1,000	600
May-12	**20,400**	10,100	10,300	**18,400**	8,900	9,500	**2,000**	1,200	800
Apr-12	**19,900**	9,800	10,100	**18,100**	8,700	9,400	**1,900**	1,200	700
Mar-12	**20,100**	10,100	10,000	**18,300**	8,800	9,500	**1,800**	1,200	600
Feb-12	**20,200**	10,200	10,000	**18,700**	9,100	9,600	**1,400**	1,000	400
Jan-12	**20,400**	10,400	10,000	**19,100**	9,500	9,600	**1,300**	900	400
Dec-11	**20,400**	10,400	10,000	**19,400**	9,700	9,600	**1,000**	700	300
Nov-11	**20,200**	10,300	9,900	**19,200**	9,700	9,500	**1,000**	600	400
Oct-11	**20,200**	10,400	9,800	**19,200**	9,800	9,400	**1,000**	600	400
Sep-11	**20,400**	10,400	10,000	**19,400**	10,000	9,400	**1,000**	400	600
Aug-11	**20,600**	10,700	9,900	**19,600**	10,200	9,300	**1,000**	500	600
2011	**20,200**	10,300	9,900	**19,100**	9,700	9,400	**1,100**	600	500
2010	**18,900**	9,800	9,100	**17,500**	9,000	8,500	**1,300**	800	600
2009	**18,700**	9,600	9,100	**17,300**	8,700	8,600	**1,300**	900	500
2008	**18,900**	9,800	9,100	**18,000**	9,100	8,900	**900**	700	300
2007	**18,100**	9,400	8,800	**17,200**	8,800	8,400	**900**	600	300
2006	**18,200**	9,500	8,700	**17,400**	9,000	8,400	**800**	500	200
2005	**18,100**	9,200	8,800	**17,200**	8,600	8,600	**900**	600	300
2004	**17,800**	8,900	8,900	**16,700**	8,200	8,500	**1,100**	700	400
2003	**16,900**	8,500	8,400	**15,200**	7,500	7,700	**1,700**	1,100	600
2002	**16,900**	8,600	8,300	**15,200**	7,500	7,800	**1,600**	1,100	500

	Unemployment rate			Participation rate			Employment rate		
	Both sexes	Males	Females	**Both sexes**	Males	Females	**Both sexes**	Males	Females
Aug-12	**5.6**	6.5	4.7	**79.3**	80.0	78.5	**74.8**	75.6	74.8
Jul-12	**6.6**	7.5	5.7	**78.8**	79.3	77.8	**74.0**	73.3	74.1
Jun-12	**7.8**	9.7	5.8	**76.6**	76.3	77.6	**70.6**	68.9	72.4
May-12	**9.8**	11.9	7.8	**75.8**	74.8	76.9	**68.4**	65.9	70.9
Apr-12	**9.5**	12.2	6.9	**74.0**	72.6	75.4	**67.3**	64.4	70.1
Mar-12	**9.0**	11.9	6.0	**75.0**	74.8	74.6	**68.3**	65.2	70.9
Feb-12	**6.9**	9.8	4.0	**75.4**	76.1	75.2	**69.8**	67.9	72.2
Jan-12	**6.4**	8.7	4.0	**76.4**	77.6	75.2	**71.5**	70.9	72.2
Dec-11	**4.9**	6.7	3.0	**76.4**	77.6	75.2	**72.7**	72.4	72.2
Nov-11	**5.0**	5.8	4.0	**75.7**	76.9	74.4	**71.9**	72.4	71.4
Oct-11	**5.0**	5.8	4.1	**75.7**	77.6	74.2	**71.9**	73.1	71.2
Sep-11	**4.9**	3.8	6.0	**76.7**	77.6	75.8	**72.9**	74.6	71.2
Aug-11	**4.9**	4.7	6.1	**77.7**	79.9	75.0	**74.0**	76.1	70.5
2011	**5.4**	5.8	5.1	**76.2**	77.4	75.0	**72.1**	72.9	71.2
2010	**6.9**	8.2	6.6	**72.7**	74.8	70.5	**67.3**	68.7	65.9
2009	**7.0**	9.4	5.5	**73.9**	75.0	72.8	**68.4**	68.0	68.8
2008	**4.8**	7.1	3.3	**75.9**	77.8	74.0	**72.3**	72.2	72.4
2007	**5.0**	6.4	3.4	**74.2**	76.4	73.3	**70.5**	71.5	70.0
2006	**4.4**	5.3	2.3	**75.8**	77.9	73.1	**72.5**	73.8	70.6
2005	**5.0**	6.5	3.4	**76.4**	76.7	75.2	**72.6**	71.7	73.5
2004	**6.2**	7.9	4.5	**76.7**	76.1	77.4	**72.0**	70.1	73.9
2003	**10.1**	12.9	7.1	**74.4**	74.6	74.3	**67.0**	65.8	68.1
2002	**9.5**	12.8	6.0	**76.5**	77.5	75.5	**68.8**	67.6	70.9

Labour Force, *Unadjusted,* by Age and Sex, August '12

		Labour force	Employment	Unemployment	Not in labour force	Unemployment rate	Participation rate	Employment rate
Both Sexes	15 +	21,400	20,200	1,200	5,500	5.6	79.3	74.8
	15 - 24	3,500	3,200	400	800	11.4	81.4	74.4
	25 +	17,900	17,100	800	4,700	4.5	79.2	75.7
	25 - 54	13,900	13,300	600	1,300	4.3	90.8	86.9
	55 +	4,000	3,800	200	3,400	5.0	54.1	51.4
Males	15 +	10,800	10,200	700	2,600	6.5	80.0	75.6
	15 - 24	1,700	1,500	200	500	11.8	77.3	68.2
	25 +	9,100	8,700	400	2,100	4.4	80.5	77.0
	25 - 54	6,900	6,600	300	500	4.3	93.2	89.2
	55 +	2,200	2,100	x	1,600	x	57.9	55.3
Females	15 +	10,600	10,100	500	2,900	4.7	78.5	74.8
	15 - 24	1,800	1,700	x	300	x	85.7	81.0
	25 +	8,800	8,400	400	2,600	4.5	77.2	73.7
	25 - 54	7,000	6,700	300	800	4.3	89.7	85.9
	55 +	1,700	1,700	x	1,800	x	48.6	48.6

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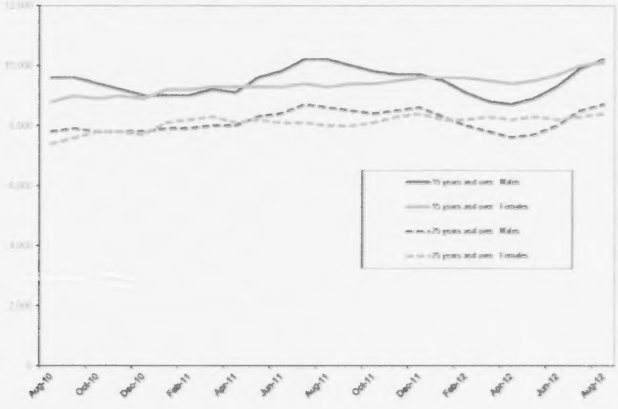
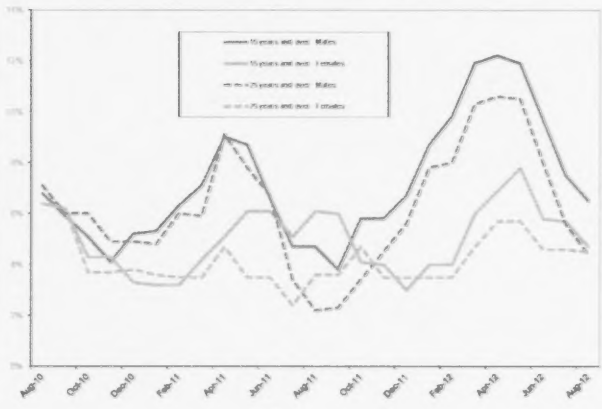
Employment by Age and Sex, Aug '10 - Aug '12

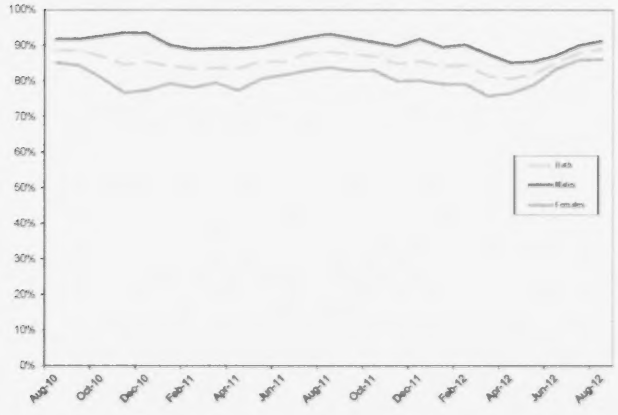


Unemployment Rate by Age and Sex, Aug '10 - Aug '12



Unadjusted, Full-time and Part-time Workers, August '12

Full-time employment as a percentage of all employment
Age 15+, Aug '10 - Aug '12



- Comparing August to July 2012 , the unemployment rate decreased for males and females in both the 15+ and 25+ age categories. Males 15+ decreased from 7.5% to 6.5%; females from 5.7% to 4.7%. Males 25+ decreased from 5.6% to 4.4%; females from 4.6% to 4.5%.

- 18,000, or 89.1%, of Yukon's 15+ workers were full-time in August.
- 91.2% of employed males held full-time employment, while 86.1% of females did.
- Nationally, 83.5% of employed Canadians worked full time in August.
- Yukon held the second-highest percentage of workers with full-time jobs in Canada - only behind the Northwest Territories.

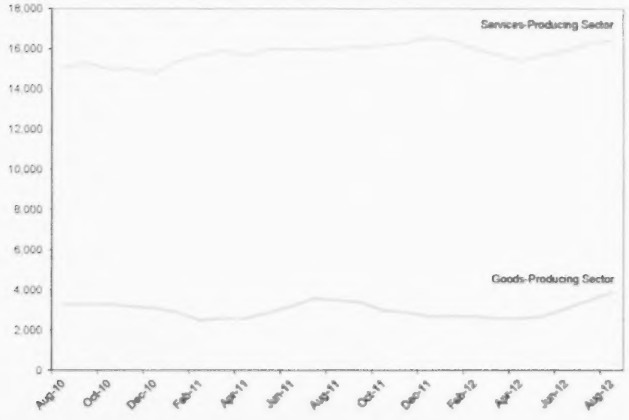
Employment, *Unadjusted,* by Industry, August '12

	Both sexes	Males	Females
Total employed	20,200	10,200	10,100
Goods-producing sector	3,900	3,100	800
Forestry, fishing, mining, oil and gas	900	700	200
Construction	2,300	1,900	400
Services-producing sector	16,400	7,100	9,300
Trade	2,000	1,100	900
Transportation and warehousing	1,000	800	300
Finance, insurance, real estate and leasing	800	300	400
Professional, scientific and technical services	1,300	600	700
Business, building and other support services	600	300	300
Educational services	1,200	400	700
Health care and social assistance	2,500	500	2,000
Information, culture and recreation	1,400	800	600
Accommodation and food services	1,300	400	900
Other services	700	300	300
Public administration	3,700	1,600	2,100

Note: The sum of industry rows shown does not equal sector totals as industries with fewer than 500 workers are not shown.

- 16,400, or 81.2% of working Yukoners were employed in the service-producing sector in August.
- 59.0% of Yukoners working in the goods-producing sector had jobs in the construction industry.
- While females accounted for 56.7% of workers in Yukon's services-producing sector, only 20.5% of goods-producing sector workers were female.
- Compared to last August, employment in the goods-producing sector was up 400 workers, or 11.4%, to 3,900; employment in the services-producing sector was up by 400 workers, or 2.5%, to 16,400.

Goods and Services-Producing Sectors, Employment, Aug '10 - Aug '12



Goods and services producing sectors

The goods-producing sector includes those industries that are involved in extracting resources directly from the earth (e.g. farming, mining, logging) or processing the resources (e.g. utilities, construction, manufacturing). Yukon's goods-producing sector are industries primarily in construction and mining.

The services-producing sector includes industries involved in the provision of services.

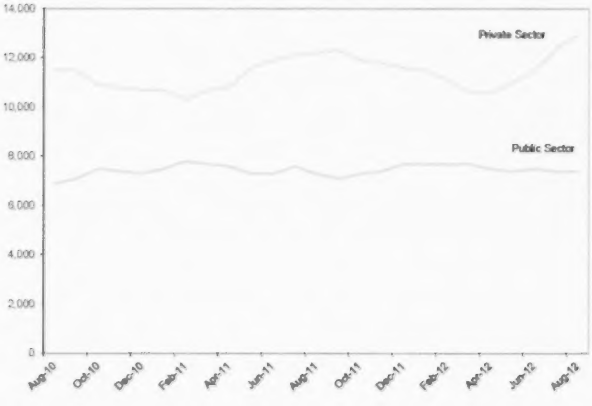
Public and Private Sectors, *Unadjusted,* August '12

	Both sexes	Males	Females
Total Employed	20,200	10,200	10,100
Public employees	7,400	3,000	4,500
Total private sector	12,900	7,200	5,600
Private employees	9,800	5,200	4,600
Self-employed	3,100	2,000	1,000

Note: 'Public employees' includes federal, territorial, First Nation and municipal employees.

- In August, 36.6% of working Yukoners were employed by one of the four levels of government in the territory.
- Of the private sector, 24.0% were self-employed.
- Private sector employment was up by 700, or 5.7% from last August, and public sector employment is up by 100, or 1.4%.

Public/Private Sector Employment, Aug '10 - Aug '12



Labour Force Survey Definitions

Employment — Employed persons are those who, during the reference week, did any work for pay or profit, or had a job and were absent from work.

Employment rate — Also referred to as "employment/population ratio," it is the number of employed persons expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The employment rate for a particular group (for example, women aged 25 years and over) is the number employed in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Goods-Producing Industries — Goods-Producing Industries (or goods sector, or goods industries): includes agriculture, other primary industries (forestry; fishing and trapping; mines, quarries and oil wells), manufacturing, construction and utilities (electric power, gas and water).

Labour force — The labour force is the civilian non-institutional population 15 years of age and over who, during the survey reference week, were employed or unemployed.

Not in the labour force — Persons not in the labour force are those who, during the reference week, were unwilling or unable to offer or supply labour services under conditions existing in their labour markets; that is, they were neither employed nor unemployed.

Participation rate — The participation rate is the total labour force expressed as a percentage of the population aged 15 years and over. The participation rate for a particular group (for example, women aged 25 years and over) is the labour force in that group expressed as a percentage of the population for that group.

Reference Week — The reference week is the entire calendar week (from Sunday to Saturday) covered by the Labour Force Survey each month. It is usually the week containing the 15th day of the month. The interviews are conducted during the following week, called the Survey Week, and the labour force status determined is that of the reference week.

Seasonal adjustment — Fluctuations in economic time series are caused by seasonal, cyclical and irregular movements. A seasonally adjusted series is one from which seasonal movements have been eliminated. Seasonal movements are defined as those that are caused by regular annual events such as climate, holidays, vacation periods and cycles related to crops, production and retail sales associated with Christmas and Easter. It should be noted that the seasonally adjusted series contain irregular as well as longer-term cyclical fluctuations.

Self-employed — There are two broad categories of workers: those who work for others and those who work for themselves, namely, the self-employed. The self-employed includes working owners of incorporated businesses, working owners of unincorporated businesses and other self-employed.

Service-Producing Industries — Service-Producing Industries (or service sector, or service industries): includes trade; transportation and warehousing; finance, insurance, real estate and leasing; professional, scientific and technical services; management, administrative and other support; educational services; health care and social assistance; information, culture and recreation; accommodation and food services; other services; and public administration.

Three-Month Moving Average — All monthly figures for the Territories, whether seasonally adjusted or unadjusted, are three-month moving averages – for example, the March 2011 unemployment rate of 4.5% is actually an average of the unemployment rates for the months of January, February and March. April's unemployment rate became the average of the rates for February, March and April. Because they are three-month moving averages, the Territories' figures are not included in the calculation of Canada's numbers.

Unemployment — Unemployed persons are those who, during the reference week, were available for work and were either on temporary layoff, had looked for work in the past four weeks, or had a job to start within the next four weeks.

Unemployment rate — The unemployment rate is the number of unemployed persons expressed as a percentage of the labour force. The unemployment rate for a particular group (age, sex, marital status, etc.) is the number unemployed in that group expressed as a percentage of the labour force for that group.

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